
**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
HIV PREVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE (PPC)
600 South Commonwealth Avenue, 6th Floor•Los Angeles CA 90005-4001**

FINAL

MEETING SUMMARY

Thursday, October 5, 2006

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

St. Anne's Maternity Home - Foundation Conference Room
155 N. Occidental Blvd.-Los Angeles, CA 90026

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kafi Battersby
Trevor Daniels
David Giugni
Denise Johnson
Dani Mejia
Daniel Rivas*
Terry Smith*
Kathy Watt*

Richard Browne*
Daniel Deniz*
Philip Hendricks
Lee Kochems*
Vicky Ortega*
Sophia Rumanes
Enrique Topete
Tim Young

ABSENT

Regina Brandon
Scott Campbell
Mario Gonzalez
Michael Green
Jeffrey King
Lori Laubacher
Miguel Martinez
Veronica Morales
Ricki Rosales

* Denotes present at one (1) of the roll calls

OAPP STAFF PRESENT

Elizabeth Escobedo
Rosie Vasquez

Vicki Lowe

Pamela Ogata

David Pieribone

PPC MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken at 12:16 PM and a quorum was not present.

II. COLLOQUIA PRESENTATION - "Evidence-Based Interventions in Los Angeles: Pre-implementation and Implementation Strategies"

Dr. Rosemary Veniegas and Uyen Kao of the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA are conducting research in partnership with the City of Los Angeles AIDS Coordinator's Office on the use of evidence-based interventions in Los Angeles County.

A copy of the Power Point presentation titled "Evidence-Based Interventions in Los Angeles: Pre-implementation and Implementation Strategies" is attached.

After the presentation, there was a question and answer period.

III. WELCOME

Sophia Rumanes welcomed new members Trevor Daniels and Lee Kochems to the PPC and announced a quorum is present.

IV. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

The DRAFT October 5, 2006 HIV Prevention Planning Committee Meeting Agenda was reviewed and approved by consensus with no corrections.

MOTION #1: Approve October 5, 2006 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Agenda	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	MOTION PASSED
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V. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

The DRAFT September 7, 2006 HIV Prevention Planning Committee Meeting Summary was reviewed and approved by consensus with the following correction made by Tim Young to add the wording, “not at the expense of the agencies”.

MOTION #2: Approve September 7, 2006 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Summary	<i>Passed by Consensus with correction</i>	MOTION PASSED
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VI. GOVERNMENTAL CO-CHAIRS REPORT

Sophia Rumanes shared the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released the Routine HIV Testing Guidelines in Clinical Settings on September 21, 2006. These are guidelines for HIV testing performed in clinical settings; however, these are not guidelines for HIV counseling and testing programs funded through the State of California Office of AIDS and through the Los Angeles County, Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS Programs and Policy. The State of California is planning to develop a guidance document around the CDC’s Routine Testing Guidelines in Clinical Settings.

Ms. Rumanes announced approximately 90% of the current HIV Prevention Contracts are expiring at the end of this year (2006) and the Prevention Services Division is in full gear with contract negotiations. Ms. Rumanes shared it is critical to develop the addendum to the current Prevention Plan including the recommendations adopted by the PPC over the past year or so.

Additionally, Ms. Rumanes reported at the September 19, 2006 Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors voted on a motion regarding the rise of Crystal Meth use in Los Angeles County. The Board of Supervisors has instructed the Department of Public Health to:

- Increase membership to the current existing Crystal Meth Work Group (Dr. Fielding’s group).
- Work together with the Department of Mental Health (DMH), the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS), the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), and the Sheriff’s Department (LASD) to examine existing programs surrounding Crystal Meth use/abuse.
- Develop a comprehensive strategic plan with goals, objectives, outcomes, data collection systems and instruments around Crystal Meth issues and evaluate current data collections methods.

The Board of Supervisors has requested a report back within 90 days.

Lastly, Ms Rumanes referred back to the presentation given earlier in this meeting by Dr. Veniegas and Uyen Kao. It appears that ETR is in the pre-implementation stage of developing an effective behavioral intervention. The CDC and ETR are developing an intervention to put in their compendium an HIV/STD prevention intervention titled: Focus on Youth, targeting African American youth aged 12-15 in non-traditional school settings. ETR is looking for agencies interested in implementing this 8 session program. OAPP has forwarded this information to some agencies. If agencies are interested in implementing this program, please contact Kamaria Gray at OAPP. The cities of Oakland and Los Angeles have been selected for this pilot program.

VII. COMMUNITY CO-CHAIRS REPORT

Kathy Watt reminded PPC Members to RSVP to Vicki Lowe by October 9th for the PPC Annual Planning Meeting. Ms. Watt requested that individuals seeking hotel accommodations for the Annual Planning Meeting see her at the break.

Also, Ms. Watt reminded the group that Community Co-Chair, Ricki Rosales, and Jeffrey King are attending the State of California Community Planning Group Meeting today.

Ms. Watt indicated she looks forward to the Evaluation Subcommittee releasing the timeline to develop and complete the Addendum to the Prevention Plan during the PPC breakout session today.

VIII. URBAN COALITION on HIV/AIDS PREVENTION SERVICES (UCHAPS)/UNITED STATES CONFERENCE on AIDS (USCA) REPORT

Sophia Rumanes and Kathy Watt provided an update on the UCHAPS Institute which was held in conjunction with USCA. Both Ms. Rumanes and Ms. Watt reported on the UCHAPS Institute which consisted of the seven (7) health jurisdictions presenting how each jurisdiction collaborates and links between prevention, care, and treatment. In addition to attending UCHAPS and USCA in Hollywood, Florida, Ms. Watt reported she had been in Washington, DC for the Ryan White Care Act Reauthorization.

Daniel Rivas and Philip Hendricks attended USCA as the PPC representatives. Some of the sessions attended were: Internet Recruitment vs. Face to Face Recruitment, Crack Round Table, NAPWA event, Latino Dinner, CBA Workshops, California AIDS Clearinghouse (re: developing materials), Women and Violence (how violence relates to HIV infection).

Several members of the PPC also attended USCA:

- Vicky Ortega shared her findings from the Transgender Workshop and HIV Testing in the Trans Community.
- Terry Smith's experience with the conference was an opportunity to share and network with others in the HIV prevention arena. Additionally, a group of African American men spoke on the need for more focused work around African American MSM.
- Enrique Topete shared USCA was a refreshing conference.
- Kathy Watt reported the "Race, Ethnicity, and Culture workshop" was amazing. Ms. Watt reported she intends to attend this workshop later and report back to both the PPC and COH.

Ms. Watt and Ms. Rumanes reminded the group the next USCA is scheduled for November, 2007 in Palm Springs, California and encouraged interested individuals to submit abstracts for the next USCA.

IX. BREAK

X. SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING BREAKOUTS

EVALUATION SUBCOMMITTEE

The Evaluation subcommittee breakout meeting consisted of discussions and/or recommendations on the subcommittee's agenda. A summary for this meeting will be provided during the next Evaluation Subcommittee Meeting.

OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

The Operations subcommittee breakout meeting consisted of discussions and/or recommendations on the subcommittee's agenda. A summary for this meeting will be provided during the next Operations Subcommittee Meeting scheduled for October 11th at OAPP.

STANDARDS & BEST PRACTICES

The Standards & Best Practices subcommittee breakout meeting consisted of discussions and/or recommendations on the subcommittee's agenda. A summary for this meeting will be provided during the next Standards & Best Practices Meeting scheduled for October 24th from 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM at OAPP.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Cinderella Barrios-Cernik announced a community event being held on October 15th sponsored by the National Latino AIDS Awareness Day and this year's theme is "Knowledge is Power, Get the Facts, Get Tested for HIV" at the California Plaza (350 S. Grand Avenue, Los Angeles). Additional information can be obtained from the NLAAD-LA.org web site and posters are on the back table.
- Jill Rotenberg, JWCH Institute, announced a presentation "Learning about Hep C, HIV and HIV Drug Resistance" scheduled for December 8th. Flyers are on the back table.
- Jill Rotenberg, JWCH Institute, announced the monthly SPA 4 Service Provider Network meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 19th at 12:00 Noon at United American Indian Involvement (6th Street and Bixel). Flyers are on the back table.
- Jill Rotenberg, JWCH Institute, invited everyone to the Annual JWCH "Hand and Heart" Gala Dinner and Concert scheduled for Thursday, October 19th at 6:00 PM at the Hollywood Palladium. Invitations are on the back table.
- Rochelle Lucas, Neighborhood In Development, announced a Teen Television Show focusing on teen issues (i.e. immigration, sex, dating, parents, dropping out of school, etc.). The group is looking for teens who have contracted HIV and/or AIDS (filming/taping of the show on October 28th.) Flyers are on the back table. This episode will air on Time Warner Cable in early 2007.
- Traci Bivens-Davis, Common Ground, extended an invitation to everyone to attend the SPA 5, Common Ground, and the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center "Crystal Meth Forum" on Monday, October 16th. Lunch will be served at 12:00 PM. Interested individuals are to contact Traci Bivens-Davis at (310) 314-5480 ext. 111.
- Traci Bivens-Davis, Common Ground, announced the regular SPA 5 Service Provider Network meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 7th at 2:00 PM at Common Ground.

Sophia Rumanes placed a motion on the floor to extend the PPC Meeting until 4:15 PM. The motion passed by consensus.

MOTION #4: : Extend October 5, 2006 PPC Meeting until 4:15 PM.	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	MOTION PASSED
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Kathy Watt requested Subcommittee Reports.

- *Evaluation Subcommittee* – Terry Smith (for Miguel Martinez) reported the Evaluation Subcommittee is recommending to met on Monday, October 23, 2006 from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM and schedule another meeting on Monday, October 23, 2006 from 2:30 PM to 5:00 PM to develop the Addendum to the Prevention Plan (site TBD).
- *Standards and Best Practices Subcommittee* – Phil Hendricks requested individuals participate in the two day “Conducting Focus Group Training” scheduled for October 16th and October 17th.
- *Operations Subcommittee* – Tim Young reminded everyone the PPC Annual Planning Meeting is scheduled for November 16th and November 17th and the November 2, 2006 PPC Meeting has been canceled. The Annual Planning Meeting Facilitator has requested volunteers for the “Café CPG” session of the Annual Planning Meeting.

Kathy Watt requested a motion be made to amend the October 5, 2006 PPC Meeting Agenda to address **Motion #3** (as listed on October 5, 2006 agenda). Phil Hendricks made a motion to amend the October 5, 2006 PPC Meeting Agenda to open nominations for Community Co-Chair. The motion was seconded by Daniel Rivas. The motion passed by consensus.

MOTION #3: Amend the October 5, 2006 PPC Meeting Agenda to open nominations for Community Co-Chair.	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	MOTION PASSED
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The following individuals were nominated for PPC Community Co-Chair: Terry L. Smith, Daniel Rivas and Vicky Ortega.

MOTION #3A: Open nominations for PPC Community Co-Chair for 30 days.	<i>The following individuals have been nominated for PPC Community Co-Chair: Terry L. Smith Daniel Rivas Vicky Ortega</i>	MOTION PASSED
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Additionally, David Giugni made a motion to uphold Terry L. Smith’s nomination as PPC Community Co-Chair based on Mr. Smith’s cumulative PPC membership. The motion was seconded by Daniel Deniz.

MOTION #5: Uphold Terry L. Smith’s nomination as PPC Community Co-Chair based on Mr. Smith’s cumulative PPC membership.	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	MOTION PASSED
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As referenced in Motion 3A, nominations for PPC Community Co-Chair are open for 30 days.

XII. STANDING REPORTS

- Public Policy Committee Update – Daniel Rivas reported the Public Policy met on September 26, 2006 and established its 2007 meeting schedule (January, 2007; April, 2007; July, 2007 and October, 2007). Individuals interested in attending future Public Policy Committee Meetings, please contact Daniel Rivas.
- Commission on HIV (COH) Report – Kathy Watt reported the Outreach and HIV Counseling and Testing Standards of Care were presented at the last COH meeting. Ms. Watt invited all to attend the next COH Meeting scheduled for October 12th.
- City of Los Angeles AIDS Coordinator's Office – No Report
- City of West Hollywood – David Giugni reported the City of West Hollywood City Council has approved the Social Service Contract Recommendations for the 2006-2008 contract period and those contracts are being executed. City of West Hollywood is finalizing a contract with the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center to work with a program that will serve Transgender's related to job placement. Also, the City of West Hollywood is expanding its recovery programming by working with Rainbow Bridge.
- Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Program – No Report
- Alcohol and Drug Program Administration – Richard Browne distributed a handout to PPC members outlining the proposed framework for the State funded Meth Prevention Program. Mr. Browne reported the remainder of this year will probably be spent identifying selections and funding would probably start next year. "A Proposed Framework for the RFA for State-Funded Methamphetamine Prevention Training Gay and Other Men who Have Sex with men". A copy of the document is on file.

Additionally, Mr. Browne reported the Methamphetamine Task Force is now being chaired by George Weir and the existing Work Group is being expanded. A meeting will be scheduled for the end of October, 2006. It appears one of the agenda items will be how to expand the Work Group. Interested individuals should contact George Weir at (626) 299-4539.

- HIV/Epidemiology Program – Denise Johnson reported HIV/EPI released its Semi-Annual Surveillance Survey for the period of January, 2006 through June, 2006. Statistics for this reporting period were: 658 AIDS cases, 197 deaths, over 51,000 cumulative cases, 30,000 cumulative deaths, and 21,000 living cases of AIDS. For the period of July 1, 2002 through April 17, 2006, there are 15,275 cases of HIV (non AIDS cases by non names code). Since April, 2006, there are 1,000 HIV names cases reported. This report is available at lapublichealth.org/hiv.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- David Giugni encouraged individuals to attend the "Own It, End It" campaign forum sponsored by the Gay and Lesbian Center scheduled for Tuesday, October 10th at The Village at 7:00 PM.
- Kafi Battersby announced the Long Beach City Council has passed a resolution to develop a citywide plan to address Meth. A Task Force meeting is scheduled for October 19th at 2:00 PM. For additional information, please contact Lee Kochems at CBRS.

- Kafi Battersby announced Long Beach and SPA 8 will be conducting a Needs Assessment which will be discussed at the SPA 8 SPN Meeting on 3rd Wednesday in October (October 18th).
- Phil Hendricks announced APLA's 3rd Crystal Meth Community Forum (exploring traditional and non-traditional approaches to deal with Crystal Meth) titled "The Many Ways to Kick It" is scheduled for Wednesday, November 8th at the West Hollywood Park Auditorium at 7:00 PM.
- Phil Hendricks announced APLA's AIDS Walk scheduled for October 15th. Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate.
- Dani Mejia announced APAIT's 5th Annual Fundraiser titled "Quest 2006" scheduled for Saturday, October 7th in Little Tokyo at 7:00 PM.
- Tim Young announced complementary tickets are available for APAIT's Quest 2006 Fundraiser, please see Tim.
- Kathy Watt announced the HIV Drug and Alcohol Task Force Meeting will be conducting a 2 hour training on TB on November 1st at Precious Blood Church.
- Vicky Ortega announced the Ms. Bienestar fundraiser scheduled for Thursday, November 9th at 7:00 PM at Arena Café.
- Vicky Ortega announced LAGLC is releasing a social marking campaign "HIV Stops With Me – I am the Cure" on Thursday, November 9th at 7:00 PM at The Village.

XIV. CLOSING ROLL CALL

XV. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.

Note: All agenda items are subject to action.

MOTION AND VOTING SUMMARY		
MOTION: #1: Approve October 5, 2006 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Agenda.	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	Motion Passed
MOTION # 2: Approve September 7, 2006 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Summary.	<i>Passed by Consensus with correction to motion #8 to add wording, "not at the expense of the agencies".</i>	Motion Passed
MOTION #3: Amend the October 5, 2006 PPC Meeting Agenda to open nominations for Community Co-Chair	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	Motion Passed
MOTION #3A: Open nominations for PPC Community Co-Chair, nominations must remain open for 30 days.	<i>The following individuals have been nominated for PPC Community Co-Chair: Terry L. Smith Daniel Rivas Vicky Ortega</i>	Motion Open
MOTION #4: Extend October 5, 2006 PPC Meeting until 4:15 PM	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	Motion Passed
MOTION #5: Uphold Terry L. Smith's nomination as PPC Community Co-Chair based on Mr. Smith's cumulative PPC membership.	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	Motion Passed

NOTE: All HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) meeting summaries, tapes and documents are available for review and inspection at the Office of AIDS Programs and Policy (OAPP) located at 600 South Commonwealth Avenue, 2nd Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90005. To make an appointment to review these documents, please call Cheryl Williams at (213) 351-8126.